

EAST PALESTINE VILLAGE COUNCIL 11/28/16 85 N. MARKET ST 7PM

Mayor Zuch called the meeting to order. Present was Mr. Cohen, Mr. Elzer, Mr. Todd, Mr. Tyger, Mr. Walker & Mr. Yokley. Also present was Village Manager Pete Monteleone, Finance Director Traci Thompson & Clerk Misti Martin. Atty. Powers was on vacation. The minutes of the November 14th Utility Committee and Regular meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. Cohen seconded by Mr. Walker. There were no department reports or agenda items.

CLERK: Martin announced the year CRA Meeting was scheduled for December 12 at 6:30 pm prior to the regular meeting. She also stated the regular meeting scheduled for December 26 of this year would need to be changed as the Village is closed that day due to Christmas. Mr. Cohen made a motion to reschedule the Monday December 26th meeting to Tuesday December 27th; the motion was seconded by Mr. Walker. All in favor.

MAYOR: Mayor Zuch stated the Christmas Parade is Saturday Dec. 3 and also that they had a meeting with Exochem today to discuss potential expansion.

MANAGER: Monteleone stated they did meet with Exochem at their request to discuss potential expansion and the he had given council a written report. Mr. Elzer asked how bad the ambulance was hurt by hitting a deer to which Chief Brown stated there was minor front end damage.

LAW DIRECTOR: Atty. Powers was on vacation.

STREET: NO REPORT

SAFETY/PARK/REC/CEM: NO REPORT

DEVELOPMENT: Mr. Elzer thanked the Chamber for putting on the Turkey Trot again this year

UTILITY: Mr. Todd stated they met with the EPA on Nov 21 and they were surprisingly understanding. Todd said we have until the end of December to get a report from LSSE and until July to give the EPA a plan as to how will are going to proceed to correct the problem, he said that the meeting went much better than he expected. Mr. Cohen stated he feels this is it with the EPA that they will not give us any additional time; this basically gives us less than four years in terms of completing the project. He said we can't delay any more; we have to move on this project. Mr. Todd stated that WW Superintendant John Jurjavcic advises the EPA says (in reference to the water well project) we have until March to have a written plan to the EPA as to how we are going to integrate the new well into the system, he stated there are already preliminary plan from MS Consultants. Mr. Todd called a Utility Committee meeting with MS consultants for the purpose of discussing this issue for Tuesday December 6th at 6PM.

FINANCE: NO REPORT

VISITORS: John & Dot Herbert, Mary Anne Tyger, Chief Kevin Dickey, Dianna Elzer, John Jurjavcic, Kent Chapman, Jerry Coblenz, Chief Josh Brown, John Simon & Tom Giamabrone.

THERE WERE NO VISITORS COMMENTS ON CURRENT LEGISLATION

LEGISLATION: Mr. Cohen made a motion to amend the agenda to add Ord. 24, 25 & 26 in reference to wage increases for the Teamsters, FOP, and some non union employees. The motion was seconded by Mr. Walker. All in favor. Mr. Yokley introduced Ord. 22-2016 for a second reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance adopting the appropriation for the current expenses and other expenditures of the Village of East Palestine, Ohio during the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2017 and adopting estimated resources and declaring an emergency.** (The Clerk reminded council this would go for a third reading at the Dec. 12th meeting at which time it would need to be made emergency). Mr. Yokley introduced Ord. 23-2016 for a first reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Walker. **An ordinance authorizing the Village manager to enter into a contract with David P. Powers to**

serve as the **Municipal Attorney for a one year term commencing January 1 2017 in accordance with the contract attached hereto, as Exhibit A.** Mr. Yokley introduced Ord. 24-2016 and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance adopting the negotiated pay increase between the Village of East Palestine (employer) and the Teamsters (union) and declaring an emergency.** (Ord. 24, 25 & 26 will get three readings; at the third readings they will be made emergencies). Mr. Yokley introduced Ord. 25-2016 for a first reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance adopting the negotiated pay increase between the Village of East Palestine (employer) and the Fraternal Order of Police Ohio Labor Council inc. (union) and declaring an emergency.** Mr. Yokley introduced Ord. 26-2016 for a first reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance authorizing a 2.00% wage increase between the Village of East Palestine (employer) and all full time non union employees, Building Inspector, Permanent part time employees in the Street, Water & Wastewater Department and Cemetery Foreman. Increase in minimum wages for the following employees; Crossing guards, lifeguards, ticket booth and Community Center Janitor and declaring an emergency.** Mr. Cohen made a motion to go into executive session per ORC 121.22 G to discuss employee evaluations and salaries, with no further business to be conducted after. The motion was seconded by Mr. Walker. Mr. Cohen y, Mr. Elzer y, Mr. Todd y, Mr. Tyger y, Mr. Walker y, Mr. Yokley y. After approximately 30 minutes council resumed regular session at which time Mr. Cohen made a motion to adjourn seconded by Mr. Tyger. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

MISTI J. MARTIN CLERK

MAYOR MARGO ZUCH